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PREVIOUSLY IN *KING SPAWN*

Spawn continues his hunt for wayward demons wreaking havoc in the human world.



WHAT A
MESS.

OKAY,
ELLIOT,
WE'VE GOT A
FEW MINUTES
BEFORE THE
COPS COME
IN...

THEY
SAID OUTSIDE
THAT YOU'RE
SOME KIND OF
WEIRD SPAWN
FANBOY. IS HE
THE ONE THAT
PUT YOU UP
TO THIS?



I'M
NOT A
FAN.



I'M ONE
OF HIS
SOLDIERS.



HE DIDN'T
FORCE ME TO DO
ANYTHING. WE JUST
WANTED TO **SAVE**
THE WORLD...



FINE.
WHY DON'T YOU
WALK ME THROUGH
HOW YOU CAME
TO **WORKING**
WITH HIM?



PLEASE.

A
COUPLE
YEARS BACK
MY MOM GOT
HIT BY A
CAR...



"SHE'S THE **KINDEST** WOMEN YOU COULD EVER MEET AND THIS ASSHOLE SMASHED INTO HER WHILE SHE WAS WALKING HOME. SHE'D GONE TO GET SOMETHING AT THE STORE.

"LEFT HER COMATOSE WITH PERMANENT BRAIN INJURIES.

"THE DRIVER WAS **DRUNK** AND WAS SPEEDING WHEN IT HAPPENED.



"SEEMS LIKE THE KIND OF CASE THAT WOULD BE OPEN AND SHUT, RIGHT?



"WRONG.

"BECAUSE THE DRIVER WAS CALVIN DUNNE OF DUNNE PHARMA.



"LOOK'EM UP, THEY'RE ONE OF THE RICHEST FAMILIES IN THE STATE.

"I TRIED TAKING THEM TO COURT BUT THEY HAD THE JUDGE IN THEIR POCKET."

"IT HAD ALWAYS JUST BEEN MY MOM AND I, SO THERE WASN'T ANYONE ELSE TO HELP COVER MOM'S MEDICAL BILLS.



"I WORKED LIKE A DOG, FOR TWO YEARS, TRYING TO KEEP ON TOP OF OUR DEBTS...



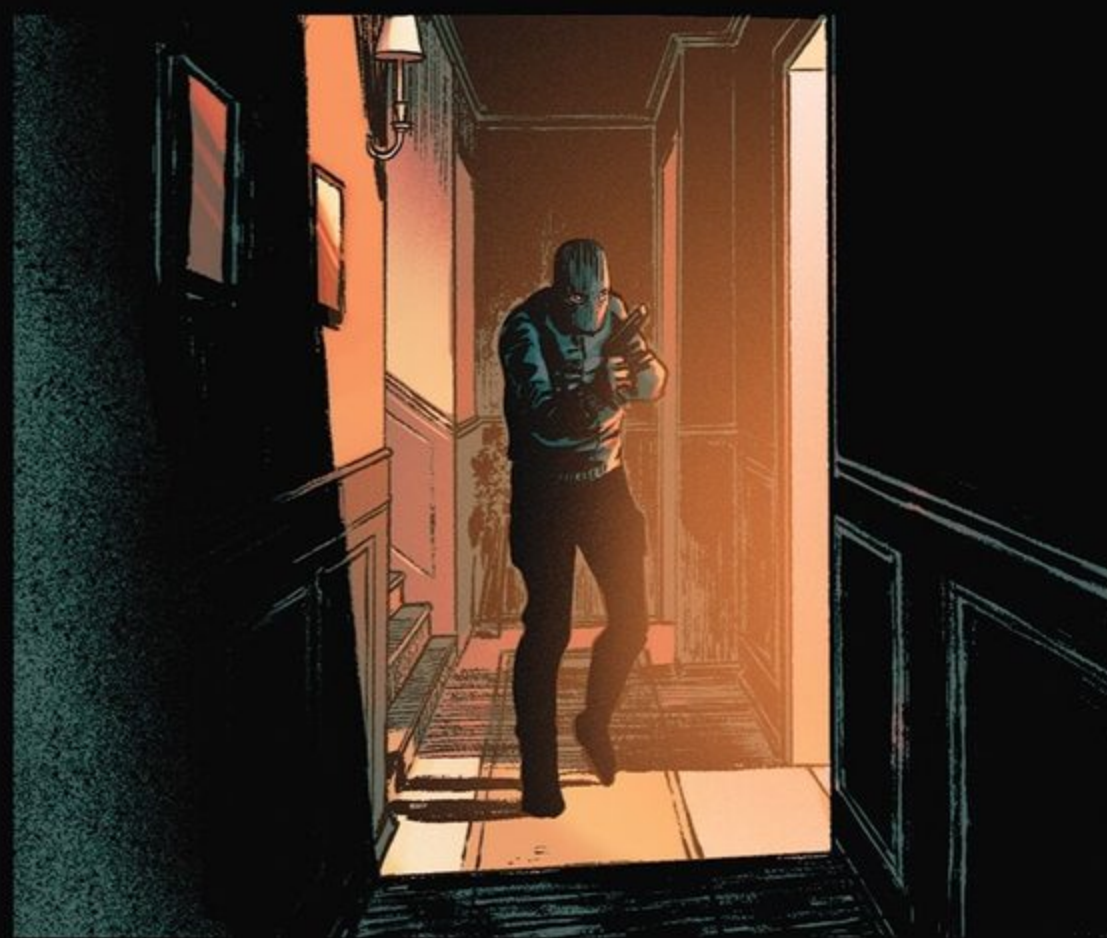
"...BUT IT DIDN'T MAKE A **DAMN** BIT OF DIFFERENCE.

"AFTER SHE DIED, I SNAPPED. I WASN'T GOING TO GET JUSTICE THE NORMAL WAY.

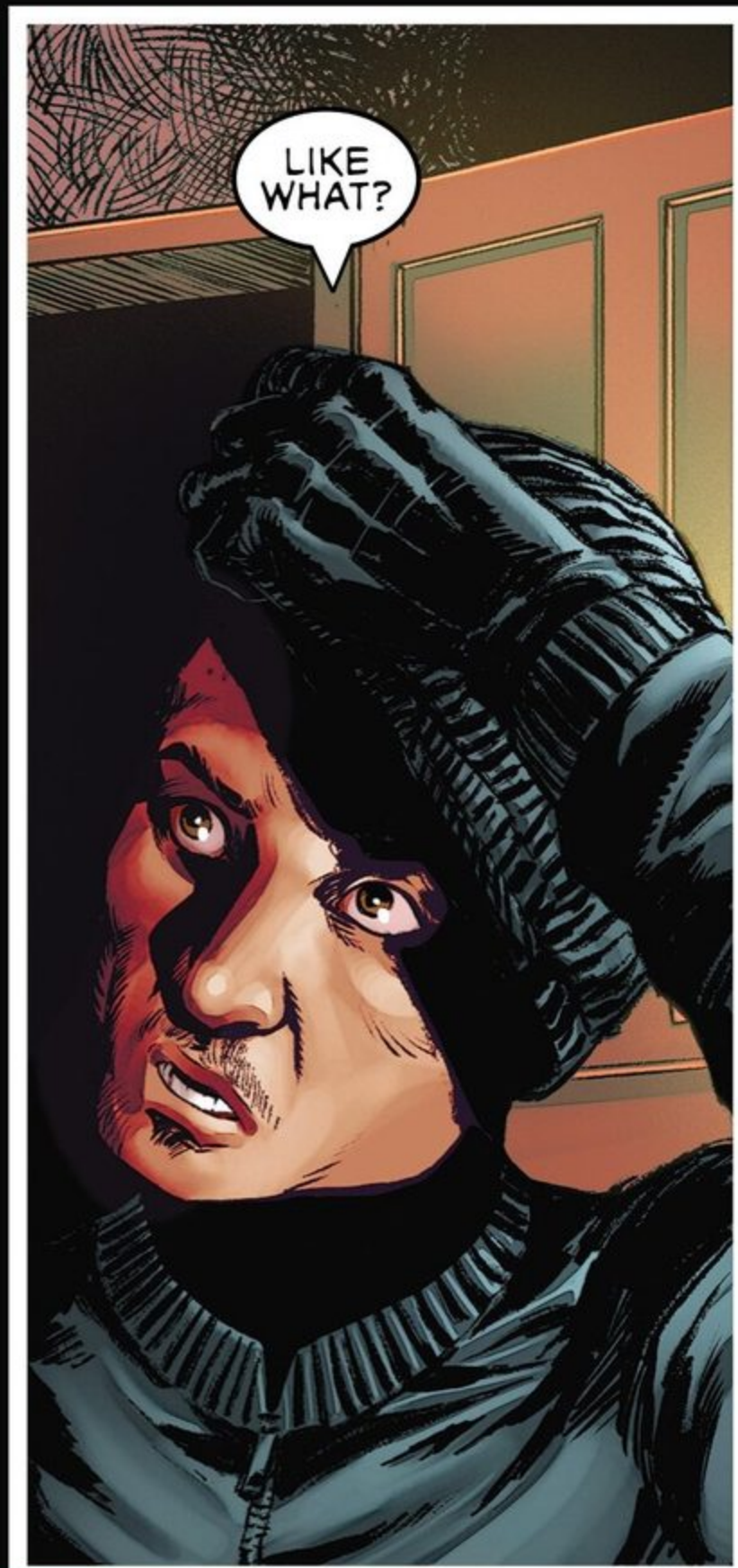


"SO, I DECIDED TO TAKE MATTERS INTO MY OWN HANDS.









"I'D WATCHED THEM WHEN I WAS IN THE MIDDLE OF MY MOM'S SHIT AND IT **REALLY** RESONATED WITH ME."

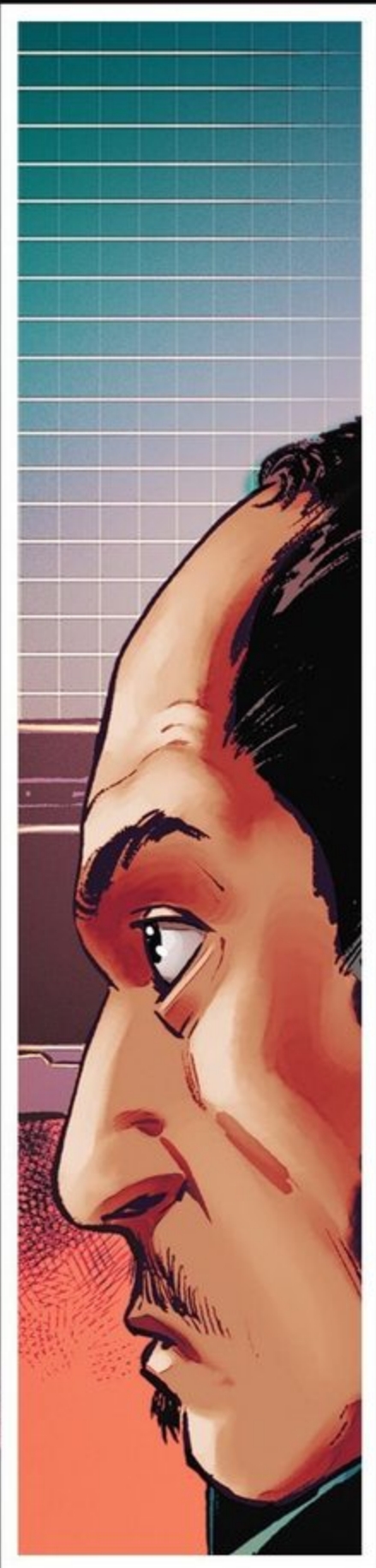
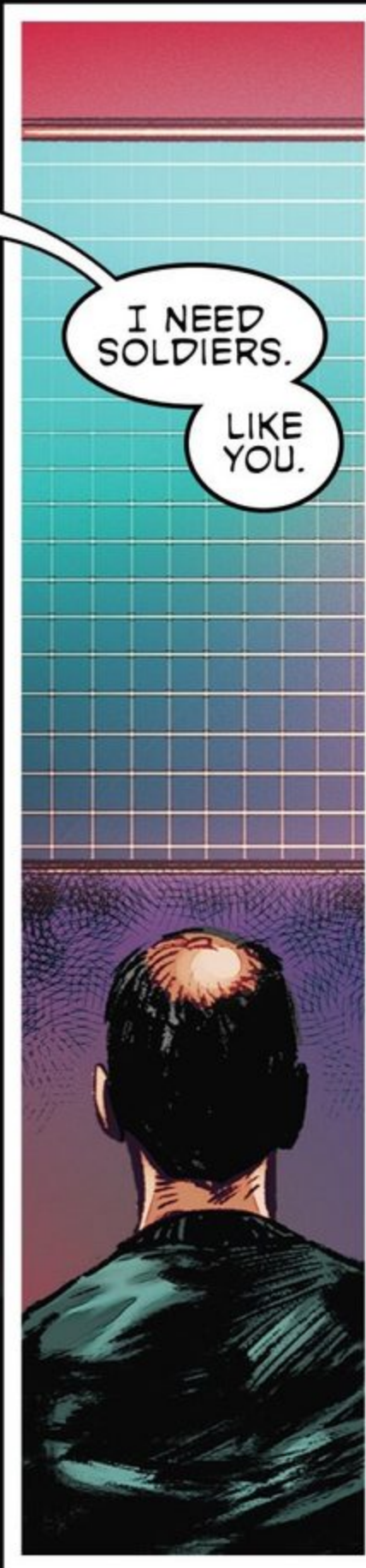
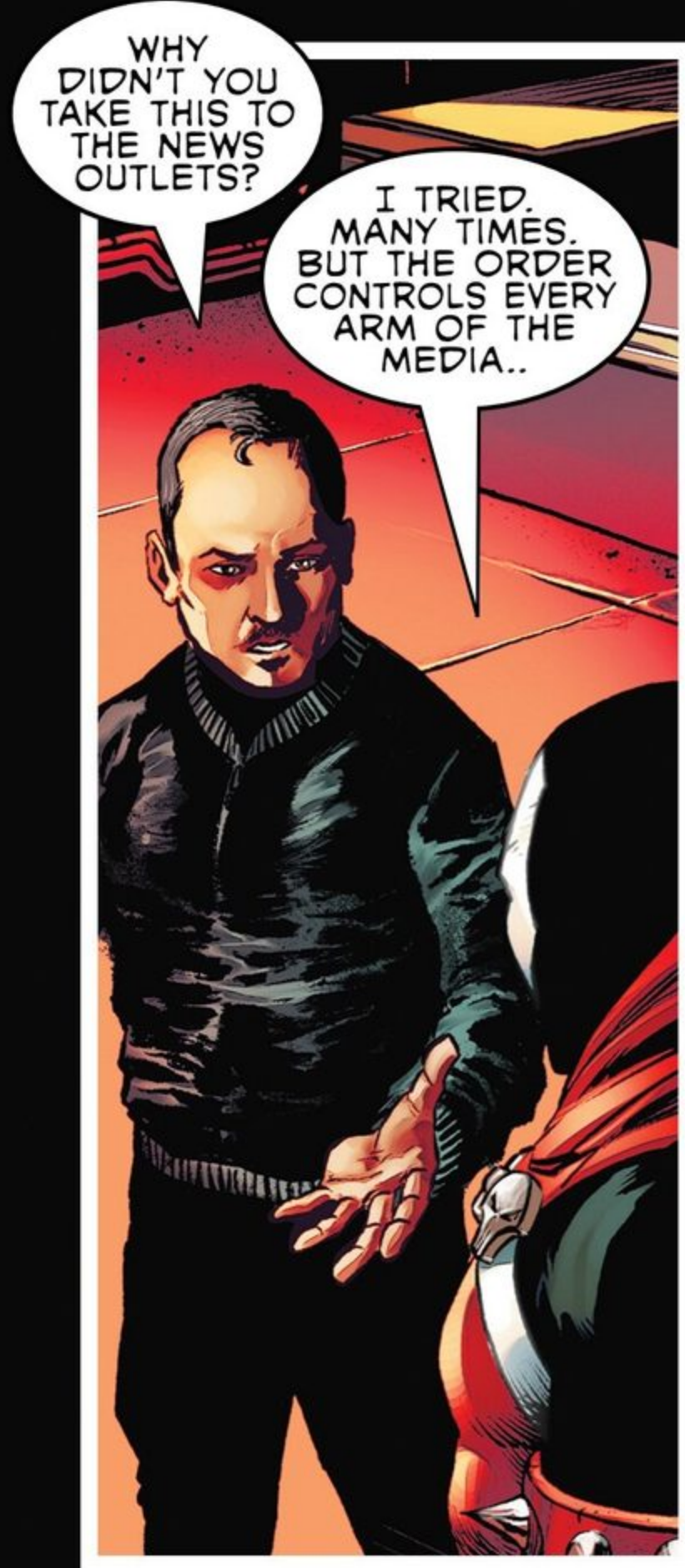
SEE, I ALWAYS KNEW THERE WAS SOMETHING WRONG WITH OUR WORLD. THAT **EVERY** F*CKIN' THING WAS MESSED UP.

"AND IT TURNS OUT I'D BEEN RIGHT."

THIS IS 'THE **GOLDEN ORDER**'...

A GROUP OF BILLIONAIRES WHO'VE BEEN SECRETLY **RUNNING** AMERICA FOR THE LAST FIFTY YEARS. THAT PIECE OF SHIT, CALVIN, WAS ONE OF THE LOWER LEVEL MEMBERS, THERE'S MORE OF THEM OUT THERE...

...DOING **UNIMAGINABLE** THINGS TO PEOPLE THEY DEEM BENEATH THEM.

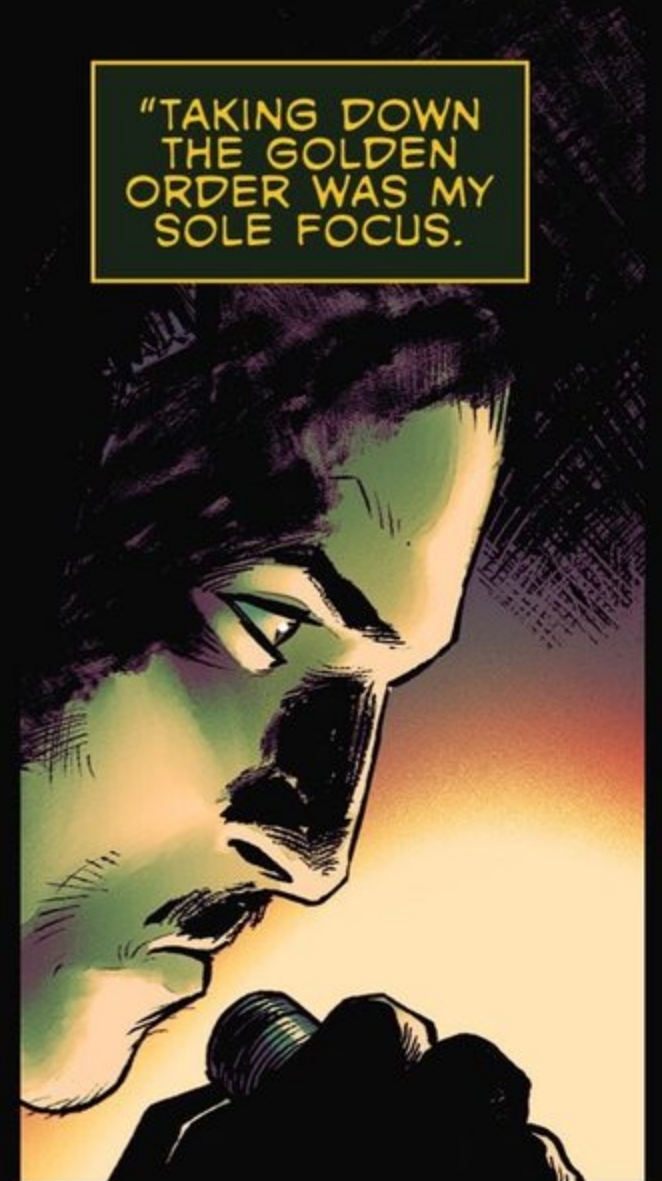


"OF COURSE I SAID 'YES' TO HIS OFFER, NO WAY WAS I GOING TO TURN DOWN THE OPPORTUNITY TO **NAIL** THEM BASTARDS TO THE WALL.





"THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, I DEVOTED MYSELF TO **OUR** MISSION. I GAVE UP MY JOB, BEGAN SLEEPING AT THE WAREHOUSE.



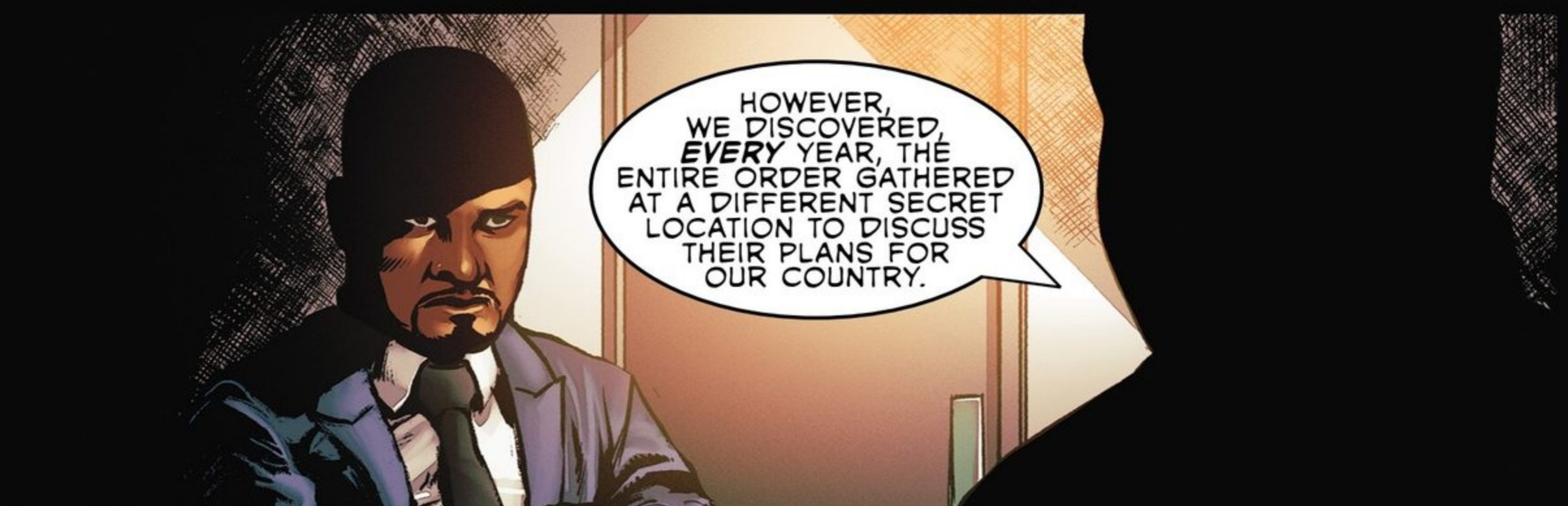
"TAKING DOWN THE GOLDEN ORDER WAS MY SOLE FOCUS.



"OUR **MAIN GOAL** WAS TO TRY AND UNCOVER THE IDENTITIES OF THE ORDER'S LEADERSHIP."



SPAWN WAS ABLE TO PICK OFF A FEW OF THE LOWER RANKING MEMBERS LIKE DUNNE, BUT EVEN THEY ONLY KNEW SO MUCH.



HOWEVER, WE DISCOVERED, **EVERY YEAR**, THE ENTIRE ORDER GATHERED AT A DIFFERENT SECRET LOCATION TO DISCUSS THEIR PLANS FOR OUR COUNTRY.



IT TOOK MONTHS, BUT EVENTUALLY WE FOUND THE SITE OF THEIR NEXT MEETING.



ALL YOUR HARD WORK HAS PAID OFF...

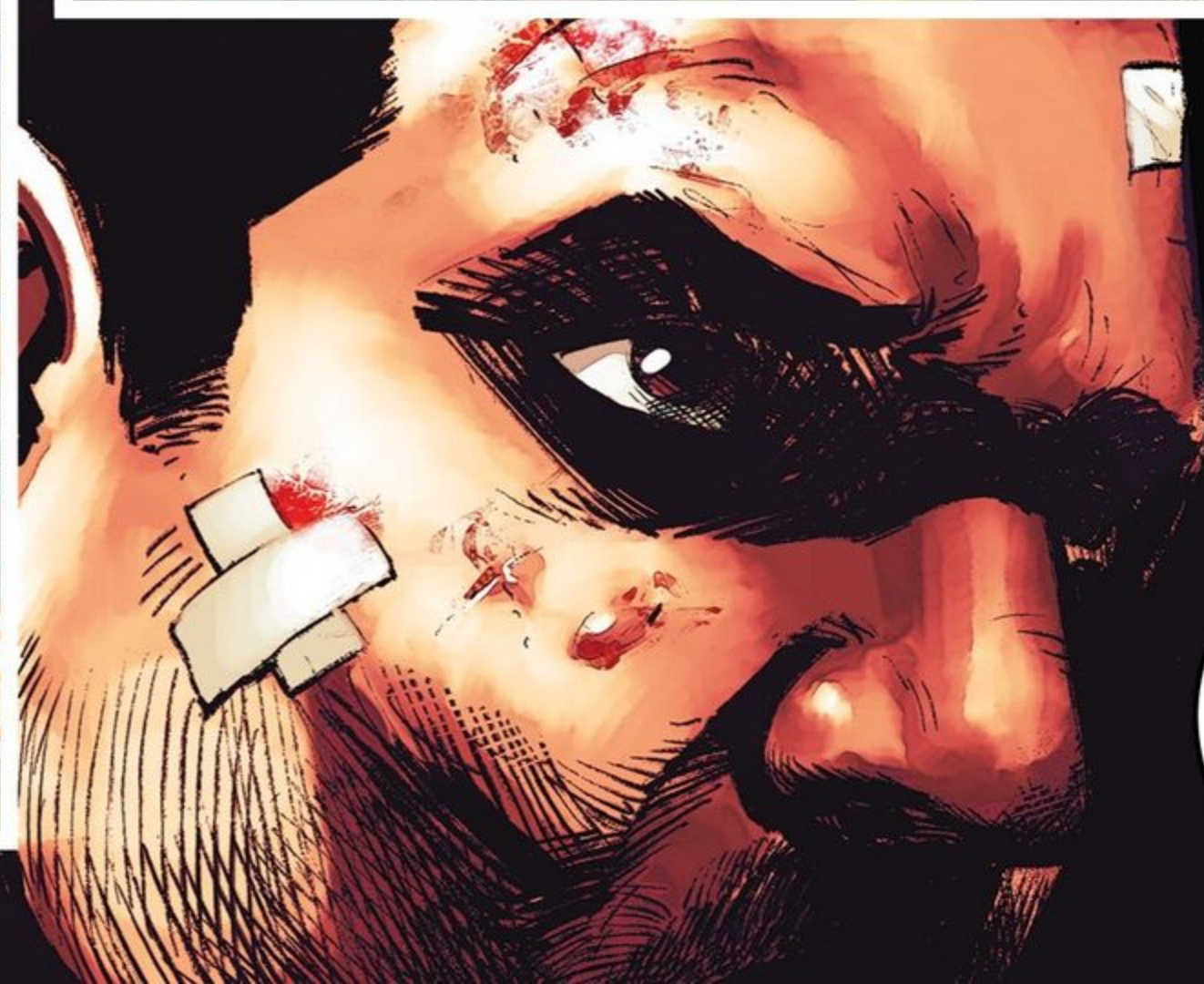


"THEY WILL BE MEETING AT THE REDWOOD HOTEL IN NEW YORK..."

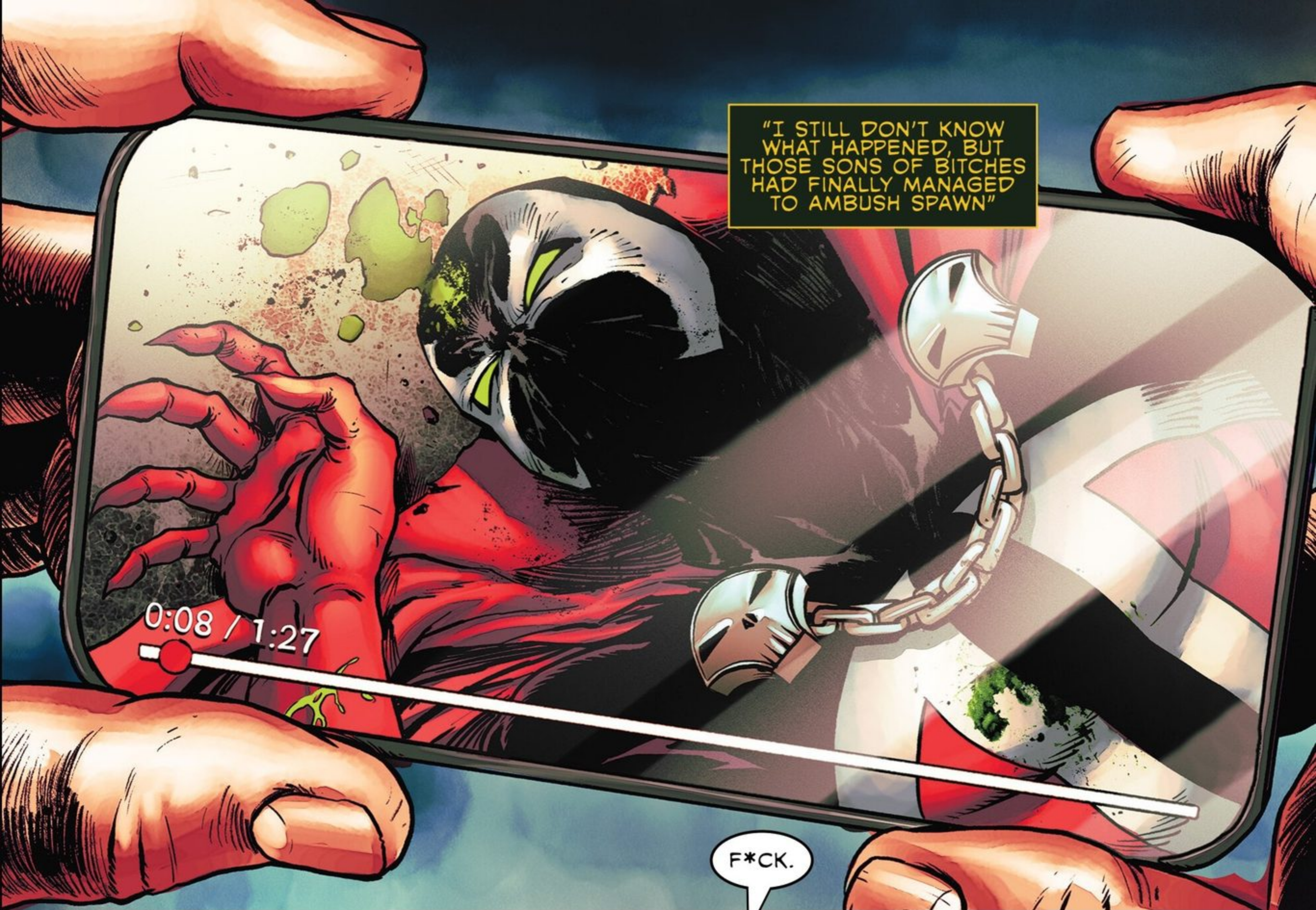


WE MIGHT NEVER HAVE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY LIKE THIS AGAIN, MY SOLDIERS.

IF WE PLAY THIS RIGHT, WE CAN WIPE THEM OUT ONCE AND FOR ALL.



EVERYTHING WAS MOVING RIGHT ALONG, BUT TWO NIGHTS BEFORE THE GATHERING, IT ALL WENT TO SHIT.



"I STILL DON'T KNOW
WHAT HAPPENED, BUT
THOSE SONS OF BITCHES
HAD FINALLY MANAGED
TO AMBUSH SPAWN"

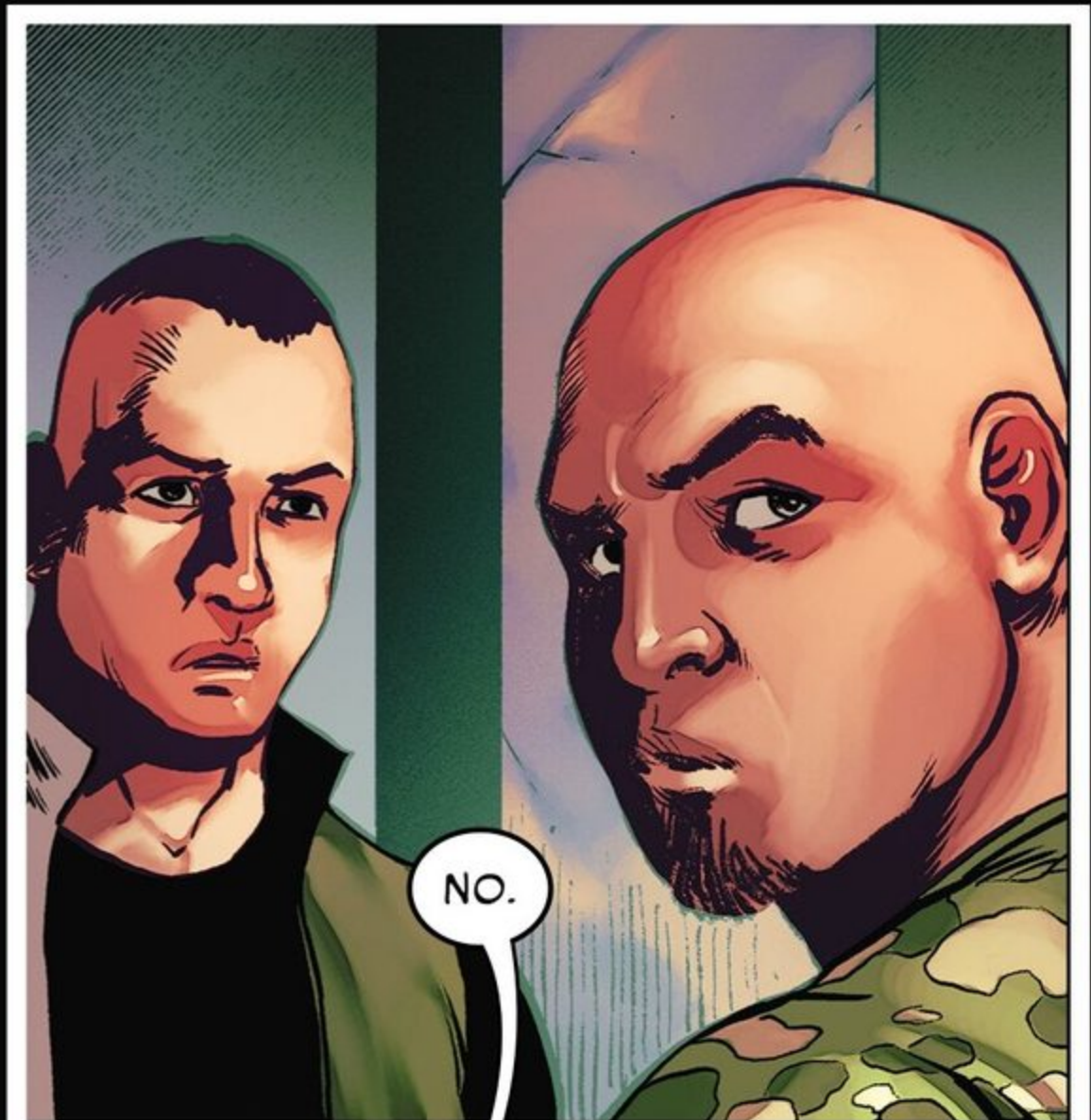
F*CK.



WHAT
DO WE DO
NOW?!

YOU
THINK THEY
KNOW WHO
WE ARE?

SHOULD WE
ABANDON THE
MISSION?



NO.









"I'D ALWAYS THOUGHT
OF 'THE GOLDEN ORDER'
AS MONSTERS, BUT WHAT
I SAW WAS **WORSE** THAN
I COULD'VE IMAGINED."



"THOSE
BASTARDS
WEREN'T
EVEN
HUMAN."





I GOT
LUCKY THAT
NIGHT, BUT NOT
THE REST OF
MY TEAM, THEY
WERE WIPED
OUT.

BRAVE,
DECENT
PEOPLE, WHO
SACRIFICED
EVERYTHING SO
THIS COUNTRY
COULD BE
FREE ONCE
MORE...

SOON,
VERY SOON,
THE WHOLE WORLD'S
GOING TO KNOW
THE TRUTH.

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?

BEFORE WE
LEFT LAST NIGHT, WE
SENT INFORMATION ABOUT
THE GOLDEN ORDER TO
JOURNALISTS AROUND
THE WORLD.

ONCE
THE TRUTH IS OUT
WE'LL BE HAILED
AS HEROES.

THEY WON'T
PUBLISH ANY OF
IT. *EVER.*

WHAT'RE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?

THERE
IS NO GOLDEN
ORDER. THERE
NEVER WAS!

YOU'RE
WRONG, SPAWN
WOULDN'T--

THAT
BASTARD
WASN'T
SPAWN---



I AM!

THEY PLAYED
YOU, YOU **F*CKING**
IDIOT! THE SPAWN YOU
KNEW WAS A FAKE, A DEMON
WHO MANIPULATED YOU AND
THOSE OTHERS TO DO
HIS BIDDING.

BUT...
WHY?!

"HE WAS IN A TURF
WAR WITH RIVALS,
THE ONE THAT
ATTACKED YOU."

HE COULDN'T
MOVE AGAINST
THEM DIRECTLY
BECAUSE THE LAWS
OF HELL FORBIDS IT,
SO HE USED YOU
AND THE OTHERS
INSTEAD.

BUT HE..
DIED?

NO, HE
FAKED HIS
DEATH...

"HE'S STILL OUT THERE,
CAUSING CHAOS WHILE I HAVE
TO DEAL WITH *THIS* MESS"

NO!
YOU'RE
LYING!!

you have
to be.



PLEASE,
I THOUGHT I
WAS HELPING. YOU
HAVE TO TELL THE
POLICE I DIDN'T
KNOW.



YOU'LL
BE GONE
BEFORE THE
POLICE WALK
IN HERE.



"YOUR
IGNORANCE
WON'T HELP
THOSE
VICTIMS."



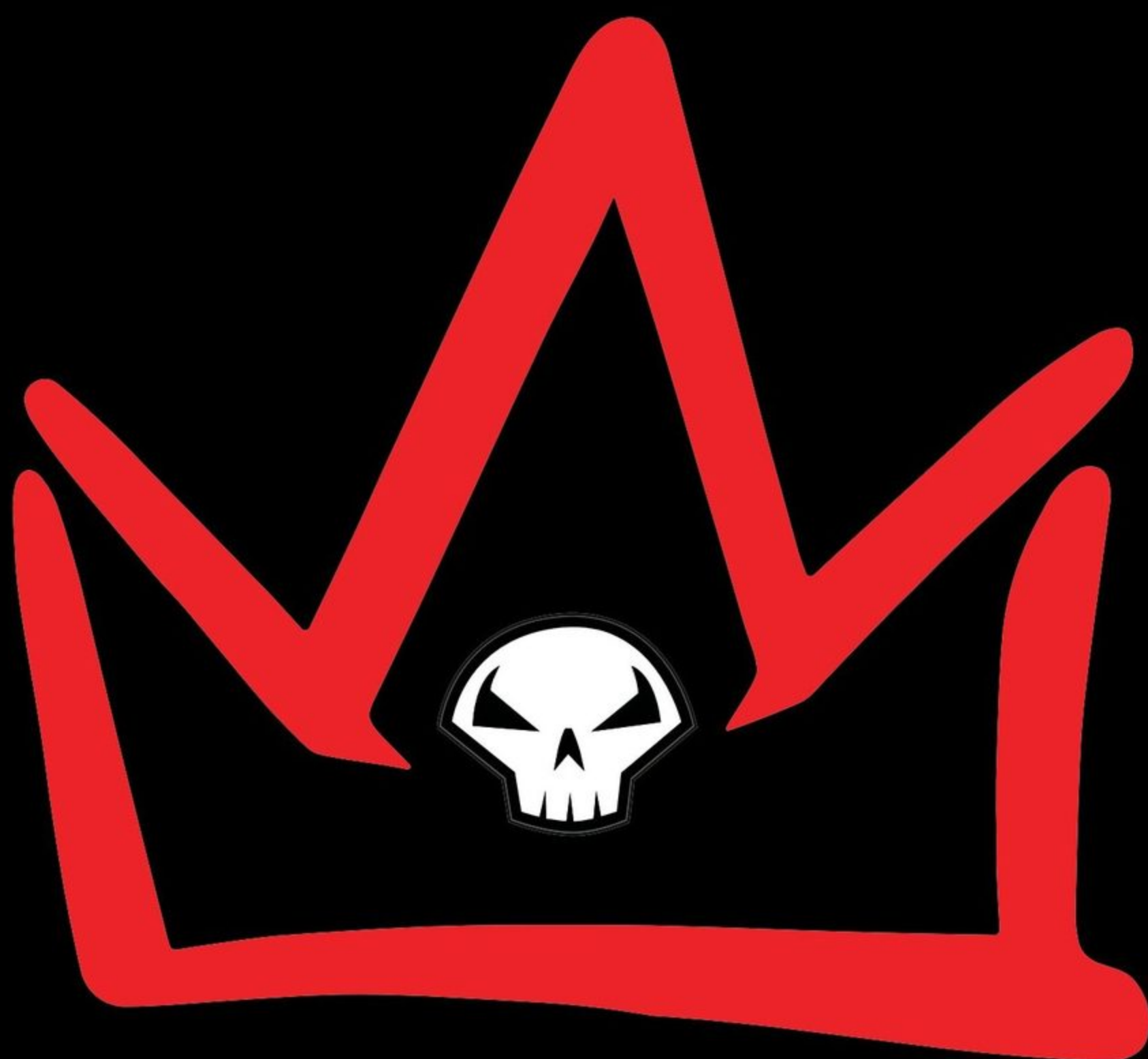
HEY?!

YOU
WANT TO
HELP OTHERS?
YOU CAN DO
THAT....

"...BY LIVING OUT THE *REST* OF
YOUR LIFE IN THESE SHADOWS.
THE WORLD CAN'T AFFORD FOR
YOU TO *EVER* BE DUPED AGAIN.

"YOUR MOTHER
WOULD BE *SO*
DISAPPOINTED."





NEED MORE SPAWN'S ? UNIVERSE

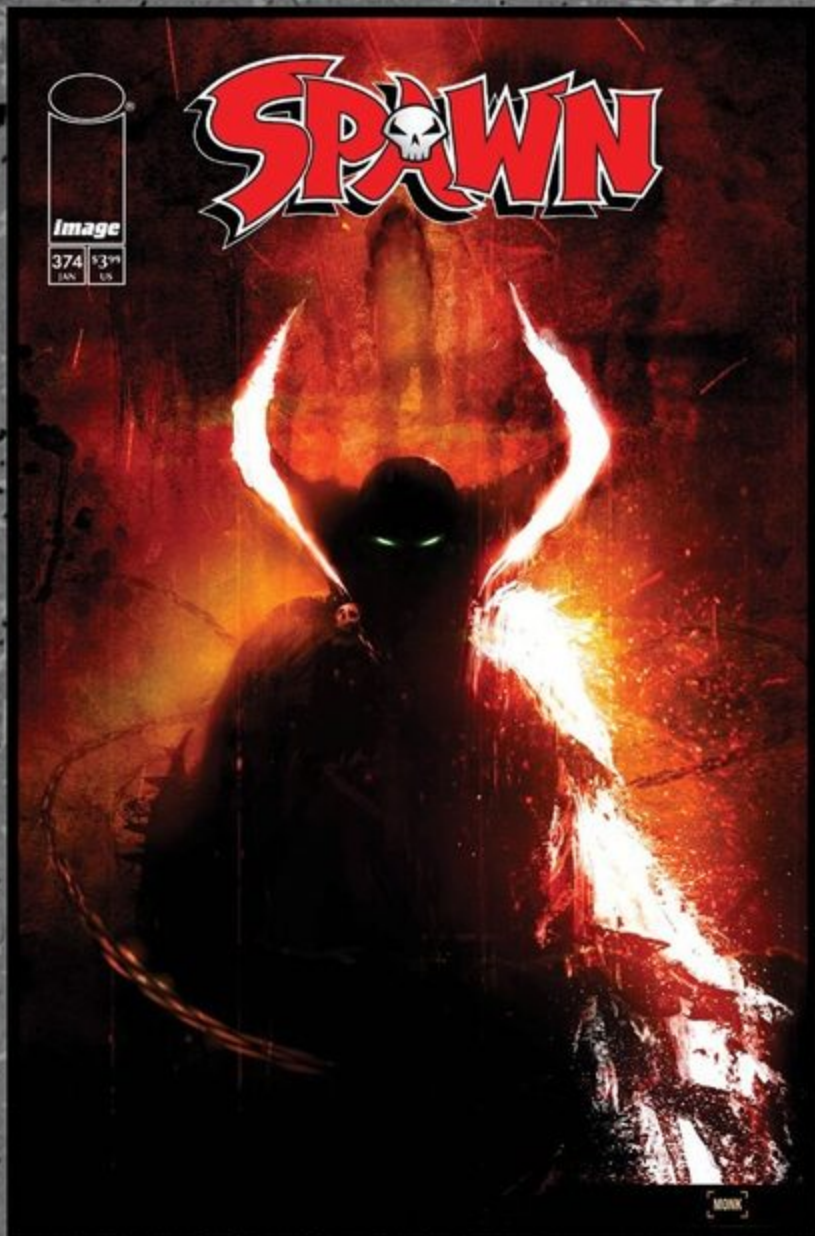
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